LGPOA

Corporate Membership Meeting

09/03/2023

Date: 09/03/2023 - DRAFT

- 1. **Call to order/Pledge of Allegiance:** President Lynn Miller call the meeting to order at 10:00 a.m. and led the Pledge of Allegiance.
- Roll call: Present: Troy Kibbey, Rick Kibbey, Eric Kibbey, Erica Bringedahl, Jason Bringedahl, Kent Cousino, Mark Featherston, Aaron Smalley, Craig Henry, Brad Cesal, Lynn Miller
 - a. Absent Lori Heimburger (excused)
- 3. **Board Member Voting:** Added. Comments regarding term limits three year terms with two terms maximum. Take one year off and can re-join the board.
- Minutes of Previous Meeting: The minutes of the General Membership meeting of 05/28/2023 were read by Rick Kibbey. Motion to approve. Gail White made motion to approve minutes. Reggie 2nd the motion. Approved
- Treasurers Report: A summary or all account activity was presented by Eric Kibbey. See attached report for details since May meeting. Checking account \$12,077.70. Fish fund \$2505 (included in checking balance) and \$1761.69 (included in checking balance). Ted Christoff motion to approve, Reggie 2nd the motion. Approved
- 6. Correspondence
- 7. Introduction of Current Board: Troy Kibbey termed out. Erica Bringedahl opting not to re-elect.
- 8. Committee Reports:
 - a. **Auditing:** Rick Kibbey discussed the Audit. Audit went well and reports are in balance. Rick will drop off the committee going forward as he feels it is best to have someone else audit Eric to avoid any conflict of interest.
 - Boat/Street Parade: Street parade went well 9 boats entered down from prior year. Thank you, Kent, for coordinating Shingle Lake. 9 boats entered w/ nearly 20 boats on the water. Street parade went well. 2nd place street parade donated back funds for donuts at the general membership meeting.
 - c. **Directory:** Lynn and Jason contacting businesses regarding increase of the marketing. All are on board. Rick discussed advertising is on our webpage and use this when making referrals.
 - d. Fund Raising: Lynn Fall SXS coming up 21st of Oct. End at the Swiss. Poker Run style. Tree planting on 10/20 @ 3:00. Jason 5k 220 participants last year 181 good growth. Looking for more advertisers next year. Jason is working with local businesses. If you know anyone interested in sponsoring, please let us know. Looking to invest in finish tunnel to keep people across the finish line rather than finishing early to refreshments. Looking to continue to grow the 5k. Aaron and Brad February planning to do winter carnival snowmobile show, ice fishing

tournament (kids and maybe adults), ice skating rink, hot dogs, hot chocolate. Lynn – would like to put on a scavenger hunt next year to bring everyone together.

- e. Hospitality: Kent looking to put together an appreciation dinner. Oct 28th weekend dinner @ Swiss Inn to give back to the volunteers for the events put on throughout the summer month. Volunteer, board members and their spouses. Updates will be posted to the website and social media. Spring event welcome back dinner potluck style. LGPOA will provide the meat and event will likely be hosted at Boosters. Open to LGPOA members only.
- f. Lake Quality: Mark complaints of too small of Pike and other fish in LG. Lynn has talked to Scott w/ DNR about managing our fish supply. 2017 last fish study. Not confirmed whether Shingle Lake was studied at this time or not. Dwarfed due to over population. Scott has suggested we conduct a maintenance program could include reducing the size of pike. Could add channel cats or structure to the lake. Petition provided @ meeting to reduce the size of the minimum size limit. If approved, DNR would include Lake George as an exception to the state legal requirement. Lynn is working through application to stock the lake with variety of fish species. Discussed the cost to complete this task. Member statement - Houghton Lake utilized the updated size requirement, member felt that this strategy was a success for that lake. Membership questions – does anyone recall the catfish overpopulation in years past? Concern about introducing catfish to the lake for this reason. Member question – would prefer that Scott come to speak with the general membership prior to making any sort of changes. Lynn clarified that DNR is ultimately in control before any fish can be ordered. Membership comment - used to be abundance of crayfish and can barely see them any longer, can we look at introduce this again? Crayfish need structure to hide in to be able to survive. Plan to schedule date for DNR to speak to us.
- g. **Membership:** Up to 207 members as of this morning. This is highest we have been in the past 5 years of Craig heading up this committee. We were down from COVID, but they feel the fundraising events and what the association is providing to this community is helping increase.
- h. Merchandise: no comment
- i. **Newsletter/Website:** Online payment portal is now live. You can apply for membership or renew membership using this link.
- j. **Township Liaison:** Dennis Zimmerman Spongy moth call Tony Mayes is the person involved in the program. Lincoln Township resident 989-539-6401 works for the County. New drain commissioner Bill Favor 989-539-7320 might want to call him is if there are any questions on the spillway at Shingle Lake. Shingle Lake Park is going to use ARPA funds (federal program) details can be obtained by working with Carol Majewski. Committee is look at all the parks. Opportunity Communities Program some of these funds will go into Bertha Lake and Silver Lake contact Carol for the details. New fire truck coming cab and chassis is here should be complete by end of September (ARPA Funds) \$750k expense. Lake

signs have disappeared, and this is due to damage and they will be back up after repair. Fall leaf pickup will begin around Oct 1 and will last 4-5 weeks or until snow is on ground whichever is first. Residents can use compost drop off if needed. New Verizon tower coming on corner of Ashard and Hemlock. Should help with reception in this area one complete. Roads plan in process for 2024 in conjunction with county road commission. Let Dennis know of road issues if you are aware. TC Energy is opening 3 new wells may be visible from property owners. State Rep was here in July speaking on number of issues – bill 17 under consideration regarding change of fireworks laws. Number of complaints regarding current rules with fireworks. They are looking to tighten controls similar to prior rules. Bill has not passed at this time. Tightening at the state level regarding construction and construction codes. New legislation house bill 4321 regarding illegal dumping of garbage. Looking to increase the fine related to this. Bill 4479 and 4450 septic tanks – MI is only state that doesn't require inspection of septic tanks. Mandatory inspection every 5th year \$500 inspection fee. Questions on whether there is a dump option for large waste. GFL will take one large item per week. Call GFL if it is not something that is reasonable to put in compacting truck. Boot was passed around for MDA collection.

- k. **Community Liaison:** Boosters chicken BBQ @ 4:00 today. Boosters and LGPOA will be planting the tree at the park on the corner.
- I. Guest Speaker: No comment
- m. Old Business: Bylaws discussion update was provided on where we are in a proposed update to clarify general membership vs associate membership.
 Additionally, looking to update the Mission Statement to provide more clarity on our purpose and that this to for the town of Lake George. This is inclusive of Lake George and Shingle Lake.
- New Business: Board Member Voting Kent Cousino voted in and accepted.
 Deb voted in and accepted, Nicole Lord voted in and accepted.
- o. **Public Comment:** Comments regarding maintenance of the public access points on Lake George. Public access is a road end and the law dictates people should not be swimming in the lake at these points. Newsletter diagram of the lake defining public access and road ends.
- p. 50-50: \$48 to the winner
- q. Adjournment: Adjourned @ 11:35 Ralph made a motion. 2nd the motion

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